WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: WOOD MARCY FLORES, PUBLIC DEFENDER

DICKINSON BRIAN LAFLURE, FIRE COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF

GIRARD EMERGENCY SERVICES

FRASIER KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD BROCK BRIAN REICHENBACH, COUNTY ATTORNEY SEEBER AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

VANSELOW FRANK E. THOMAS, WARREN COUNTY BUDGET OFFICER

MONTESI SUPERVISORS CONOVER
BRAYMER LEGGETT
MACDONALD MCDEVITT
SOKOL

MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT: DON LEHMAN, THE POST STAR

SUPERVISOR: SIMPSON LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the October 24, 2016 meeting of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:

http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2016/criminal/

Ms. Wood called the meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to order at 10:01 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Dickinson and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Marcy Flores, Public Defender, who distributed copies of her agenda packet to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda packet is on file with the minutes.* 

Commencing the agenda review, Ms. Flores informed she had selected candidates to fill the vacant positions of 5<sup>th</sup> Assistant Public Defender and 7<sup>th</sup> Assistant Public Defender, and she would be proceeding to fill both.

Ms. Flores presented the following requests:

1) To fill the vacant position of 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Public Defender, Base Salary \$58,189, due to resignation.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance, Personnel & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.* 

2) To increase the salaries for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Assistant Public Defender positions from \$45,000 to \$47,500 effective December 1, 2016. She noted that the funding for the 6<sup>th</sup> Assistant Public Defender position would come from New York State OILS (Office of Indigent Legal Services) grant funds; however, there was no funding available for the 7<sup>th</sup> Assistant Public Defender position which would require a funding source.

Motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Ms. Braymer and carried unanimously to approve the requests and refer same to the Finance, Personnel & Higher Education Committee. A copy of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.

3) To authorize a letter of support for Assembly Bill No. A10706, urging Governor Cuomo to sign the Public Defense Mandate Relief Act.

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. MacDonald and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November  $18^{\text{th}}$  Board meeting. A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes. Note: Subsequent to the meeting it was determined this matter was previously addressed by Resolution No. 417 of 2016, adopted October 21, 2016, and no further resolution was necessary.

This concluded the Public Defender portion of the agenda.

Ms. Wood presented the following requests for the Sheriff & Communications Division in the absence of staff:

- 1) To amend the 2016 County Budget in the amount of \$48,698.65 to increase revenue for services provided to the Six Flags Great Escape Park.
- 2) To authorize the transfer of funds totaling \$359,100 between various budget codes to cover shortages.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Dickinson and carried unanimously to approve both requests and forward same to the Finance, Personnel & Higher Education Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.* 

Privilege of the floor was extended to Brian LaFlure, Fire Coordinator/Director of the Office of Emergency Services, who distributed copies of his agenda packet to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda packet is on file with the minutes.* 

Commencing the agenda review with the Referral/Pending Items section, Mr. LaFlure gave an update on the EMS Advisory Board Meeting that was held on September 28, 2016. A discussion ensued, following which a motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried unanimously to authorize the Office of Emergency Services staff to begin an in-house study to provide a report on what would be necessary for Warren County to supplement the Emergency Services System across the entire County.

Next, Mr. LaFlure requested authorization for the Chairman of the Board to execute all the necessary documents to obtain a Certificate of Need for EMS services in Warren County.

Motion was made by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried by majority vote, with Ms. Seeber voting in opposition, to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November 18, 2016 Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee, on motion made by Mr. Dickinson and seconded by Vanselow, Ms. Wood adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board